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130,000 GERMANS LOST AT VERDUN; BATTLE NOW HALTED, SAYS PARIS

BOND ISSUE FOR CITY HALL, ROADS, IS MAYOR'S PLAN

City Executive to Lay Financial Problems Before Supervisors in Important Message
PUBLICITY PROPOSED TO LET VOTERS KNOW FACTS
If Special Called, Will Be Preceded By Public Meetings; Estimate of Issue From \$500,000 to \$750,000

Faced with the necessity for large additional funds for permanent road improvement and with the growing demand for a city hall worthy of Honolulu, the municipal administration has virtually decided upon a bond issue of half a million or more as the imperative result of the situation.

Mayor Lane made announcement to the Star-Bulletin this morning that within a few weeks he will lay before the board of supervisors a message recommending a bond issue of \$500,000 or \$750,000, to be voted upon by the people of the city, and the proceeds of which are to go for two specific purposes, road work and the erection of a city hall.

Three important pieces of permanent road construction are to be done from the proposed bond moneys. First, the completion of the present belt road system and putting it into perfect shape. The other two are new belt road stretches to combine with the present system. One is by way of Koko Head and Kalia, the other the Waianae branch which has been often discussed.

"We want to make it possible for autoists and others to get around any part of the island on perfect roads," said the mayor today.

He is very emphatically in favor of early action to build a new city hall. City Hall Needed.

"At the present time our offices are scattered between several buildings and we are paying more in rent than would be sufficient to defray the interest on the bonds," he points out.

The first consideration, however, is that Honolulu's growth as a city, our place in the Pacific ocean and our increasing importance as a welcoming city for visitors, make it necessary that the municipal home be one of imposing appearance and commodious arrangement.

"Honolulu's progress will be retarded until we have a city hall to which we can point with pride."

He announces that from present prospects the Gore lot, at the junction of King and Merchant streets, will be secured if possible. Governor Pinkham favors this as part of the civic center plans and the mayor is relying upon the governor's good offices to effect some land exchange for the lot.

The city secure this property at a favorable figure. Thus it is hoped to

JAGGAR WORKING FOR SYSTEM OF VOLCANO STUDY

His Bill May Mean Extension of Crater Researches By Weather Bureau

If a bill of which Prof. T. A. Jaggar, Jr., director of the Kiluea Volcano Observatory, is the author goes through Congress successfully the present volcanological studies being conducted at Kiluea will not only be continued but new work, consisting of studies of Pacific Coast and West Indies volcanoes, will be instituted by the United States Weather Bureau.

One of the reasons why Prof. Jaggar went to Washington and was there last month was to appear at the hearing before the committee on agriculture of the house of representatives and present his arguments for the additional appropriation of \$18,000 needed by the weather bureau if it is to take charge of the volcanological work advocated by the scientist.

Prof. Jaggar addressed the committee at its hearing January 18. Prior to that he conferred with Charles F. Marvin, head of the weather bureau, who told the committee he was in favor of the project. If the bill goes through the weather bureau will make studies of volcanoes on the coast and the resulting data will be of great value to volcanological science, in conjunction with the results obtained here by Prof. Jaggar.

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless:

	Today.	Yesterday.
Alaska Gold	20 1/2	21
American Smelter	96 1/2	97 1/4
American Sugar Rfg.	109 1/2	109 1/4
American Tel. & Tel.	127 1/2	127 1/4
American Copper	84 1/2	85 1/4
Atchafalpa	102	102
Baldwin Loco.	101	102 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	85 1/2	85 1/4
Bethlehem Steel Co.	44 1/2	45
Calif. Petroleum	27 1/2	27
Canadian Pacific	164 1/2	164
C. & N. St. P. (St. Paul)	93 1/2	92 1/4
Colo. Fuel & Iron	40 1/2	40 1/4
Crucible Steel	72 1/2	73
Erie Common	35 1/2	35 1/4
General Electric	168 1/2	169 1/4
General Motors	120 1/2	120 1/4
Great Northern Pfd.	108 1/2	108 1/4
Inter. Harv. & N. Y.	77 1/2	76 1/4
Lehigh R. R.	104	103 1/4
New York Central	103 1/2	103 1/4
Pennsylvania	57 1/2	57
Ray Consol.	24 1/2	24 1/4
Southern Pacific	96 1/2	96 1/4
Studebaker	134 1/2	135 1/4
Tennessee Copper	54 1/2	55 1/4
Union Pacific	131 1/2	131 1/4
U. S. Steel	80 1/2	80 1/4
U. S. Steel Pfd.	115 1/2	116 1/4
Utah	83 1/2	84
Western Union	88 1/2	88 1/4
Westinghouse	61 1/2	62 1/4

*Bid. *Ex-dividend.

RANDELL ONLY PLOTTER HERE, VAUGHAN SAYS

District Attorney Knows of No Other Arrests Likely to Be Made Right Away

With the exception that Guy D. Randell probably will be tried on a charge of attempting to recruit soldiers out of the local army forces for enlistment with the Allies, the federal officials consider the so-called "war plot" case virtually closed.

Randell, who pleaded guilty before the commissioner, George S. Curry, is still confined in Oahu prison.

"In my opinion," said District Attorney Horace W. Vaughan today, "Randell himself used the name 'Hawkshaw' and there is no such person by that name connected with the case."

The name "Hawkshaw" was signed on a \$140 check which, according to testimony, was to be used to purchase a man out of the army.

"The word 'Hawkshaw,' as written by Randell yesterday, is identical with the 'Hawkshaw' on the check," is the information volunteered by District Attorney Vaughan.

Mr. Vaughan added emphatically that there is no "war plot" as far as he has been able to learn. "We will try Randell on the charge for which he is now held, and perhaps others," he added. "I know of no other arrests likely to be made right away, and I know of no persons engaged in any so-called 'war plots' here."

Randell, in his testimony yesterday, said that Hawkshaw, who he declared was a wealthy Australian farmer, was staying at the Moana hotel prior to the opening of the Carnival. The Moana today stated that no person by the name of Hawkshaw was ever registered there. Randell further stated that Hawkshaw left Honolulu last Saturday night on either the Great Northern or Northern Pacific. That name, however, did not appear on either passenger list.

A meeting of the federal grand jury will be called early in April, at which time Randell's case probably will be taken up.

[Details of yesterday afternoon's hearing will be found on Page 10 today.]

NIAGARA COMES IN EARLY, WILL LEAVE TONIGHT

More than 16 hours ahead of her schedule, the Canadian-Australian liner Niagara will arrive off port at 3 o'clock this afternoon from Australia, and will sail at midnight tonight for Pier 7 for Victoria and Vancouver, taking mail for the Northwest and border states and Canada. Mails will close at 9 o'clock this evening at the postoffice.

The steamer will dock at Pier 7 about 4:30 this afternoon, and when the sails, will take 60 passengers from this port, the largest number leaving here on a boat of this line this year to date. Nearly all of them are first-class passengers.

Approximately 50 tons of freight, including 1500 cases of canned pineapples, will be taken from this port by the Niagara. The liner will load 4500 barrels of fuel oil here for her bunkers. The radio giving her earlier hour of arrival was received this morning by the local agents, Theo. H. Davies & Company. She was not scheduled to arrive until tomorrow morning, and to sail tomorrow afternoon.

ALL JURY TRIALS AND GRAND JURY FORCED TO HALT

Territorial Courts Paralyzed Until July By Exhaustion of Funds on Hand

Court Officials Face Jail If They Get Busy

Only Act of Legislature Can Help, Says Carden; Supervisors are Powerless

Unless conditions are altered or special legislation is passed, there will be no further meetings of territorial trial or grand juries until after June 30.

Imprisonment, or at least a substantial fine, faces the members of the board of supervisors if they financially assist the local circuit court in excess of the \$14,500 appropriation for the period ending June 30 next, unless the money without exceeding their income for 1916.

If any court officials proceed now to spend money in the absence of an appropriation by the supervisors, or in excess of the \$14,500 appropriation for the present fiscal period, they are liable to find themselves in trouble akin to that facing the city fathers.

"This," said City Attorney Carden today, referring to the foregoing statements, "is what the supervisors and the courts are up against."

Money is All Spent.

Because the courts have run through the expense appropriation made by the supervisors, amounting to \$14,500 which was to last until June 20 next, there is now no money available with which they may purchase supplies or pay the fees of grand or trial jurors, or the mileage of witnesses, called before these tribunals.

As Attorney Carden put it today, the supervisors are "broke"; they are financially unable to assist the courts from a money standpoint.

For the reason that no money is available, a meeting of the territorial grand jury, scheduled for this afternoon, was postponed. The three, circuit judges, are powerless.

AFTER FAMOUS SCOUT LEADER FOR BOYS HERE

John Guild Will Give Dinner at Which Plans Will Be Discussed; Need \$5000

To forward plans for manifold enlargement of the number of Boy Scouts in the territory and the raising of between \$4000 and \$5000 for boy scout work, John Guild, president of the local scout council, is giving a dinner next Saturday night at the Pacific Club to scout masters and members of the executive committee.

Included in the plans for broadening to a marked degree the work of the organization in the territory, is that of bringing here permanently some great scout leader from some one of the great scout centers on the mainland.

"This is our greatest need," said James A. Wilder, scout commissioner, today. "We want a trained man who will come here to tackle the work and see it through."

"There are, in the territory, about 8000 available boys, and we figure that at least one-eighth of this number should be enrolled to start with. We need also between \$4000 and \$5000 to carry out our plans in order to make them successful."

Ormond Loomis, probably the greatest scout leader in scoutdom, known to fame because of his work as scout commissioner in Boston, has already begun work to send here a man whom he claims to be one of the best in America. If such a man comes he will reside here permanently and learn the ways of the country in order to adapt himself for the work with local boys.

"There is a great need for more scout masters," says Commissioner Wilder, "men who will be willing to work thus for the flag without pay. A scout troop can be connected with any organization, be it a school, church, boys' club or gang, and each troop has adequate representatives in the local council."

The National Bank of Cuba sent \$700,000 gold, in the new Cuban coinage, to Havana.

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MOEWE OR ROON REPORTED TAKEN BY THE BRITISH

South American Rumor Says Cruisers Have Captured German Sea-Raider

Mystery of Appam Not Yet Fully Explained

Noted Briton Who Was Prisoner Tells How Vessel Disguised Herself

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] BUENOS AYRES, Argentine Republic, March 2.—It is reported from Montevideo that a wireless message has been intercepted there which says that British cruisers have captured a German sea-raider, which is either the Moewe or the Roon. The prize has been taken to the island of Trinidad, off Venezuela.

The prize crew which brought the British steamer Appam into Hampton Roads was from the Moewe.

The real mystery of the Moewe, what the vessel is—has never been solved. It will be remembered that the Roon, a German cruiser, was reported to have slipped past the British North Sea blockading fleet and gained the Atlantic. The capture of the Appam and her taking from the Canary Islands to Norfolk is one of the sensational exploits of the war, but the mystery of the vessel which captured her has never been fully explained.

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"The Moewe, as it seems to be called, was, of course, not the Moewe at all. The only ship of that name is a little boat of 400 tons used before the war by the Germans for geodetic survey purposes. This boat was between 3500 and 4000 tons, and I have every reason to believe was originally

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SAM PUU'S DEATH LIKELY TO COST HONOLULU \$2000

First Fatal Injury for Which City is Liable Under Workmen's Compensation Act

Sam Puu, fatally injured on Tuesday at the Hakipuu road job, makes the first death for which the city and county is liable under the Workmen's Compensation Act, which came into force July 1, last. The fatality may cost the municipality more than \$2000.

In the report of Overseer Chase, sent into the city hall, Puu is put down as single, age 27 years, and under the head "dependent" is the name Maria Waiheia, residence Pepee, Hawaii. It is said, though not in the report, that the woman named is the mother of the deceased.

According to the law a parent or grandparent, if wholly dependent, is entitled to compensation of 40 per cent of the average weekly wages of the deceased; if partially dependent, to 25 per cent thereof; and the term of payments is "during the continuance of a condition of actual dependency, but in no case to exceed 312 weeks." Actual dependency, whole or partial, must be shown. The term "parent" includes step-parents and parents by adoption.

May Have Big Claim.

If, therefore, Maria Waiheia establishes the relationship of parent to Puu, as well as entire dependency, and this condition should continue for 312 weeks, her claim against the municipality would amount to \$2246.40, or if her claim should be that of partial dependency, to \$936.

Death within six months after injury makes the city and county immediately liable for funeral expenses, but not to exceed \$100, besides a maximum allowance of \$50 for medical and hospital charges.

It would appear that the fatality to Puu was one of those strange freaks of fate against which precautions are futile. He and his fellow workmen went underneath a rock bin for shelter when a blast was going to be fired, but a piece of rock weighing seven pounds glanced off some object outside and struck the left side of Puu's head. Dr. Tuttle rendered first aid before the victim was hurried in an automobile to the Queen's hospital.

Dr. J. S. B. Pratt was elected chairman and A. W. Hansen secretary of the milk commission recently appointed by Governor Pinkham, at its first-meeting yesterday.

HE'S TRYING TO GET FELLOW-BOURBONS IN LINE BEHIND WILSON



In Missouri politics they call him "Gumshoe Bill," his other name being Senator William J. Stone, chairman of the committee on foreign relations of the upper house. He is trying to prevent a split among Democratic congressmen on the perturbing "travel issue."

GERMAN OFFICIAL CABLEGRAMS

The following cablegram from official German sources was received today:

"German Headquarters, March 1.—Yesterday the artillery was very active on many parts of the front, especially the enemy's artillery, which, however, in several places was only trying to mislead the Germans."

"In the Yser district, in Champagne and along between the Meuse and the Moselle the enemy seriously attempted to damage the Germans but without success."

"An English biplane near Meinh in an air fight was defeated and the operators made prisoners. Two French biplanes were shot down by defense cannon, one near Yezapopin, northwest of Soissons, whose inmates were taken prisoner, and one southwest close to Soissons, whose inmates were probably killed."

"An aeroplane piloted by Reserve Lieut. Haber as an observation officer stopped a military transport on the road between Besancon and Jussey with bombs and successfully attacked with the machine gun the crew alighting from the train."

"German Headquarters Report, March 2.—The situation on the west front is unchanged. In the Yser district the enemy's artillery is very active. On the eastern bank of the Meuse the French again sacrificed troops in useless counter-attacks against enemy detachments."

"Northwest of Mitau Russian aircraft were shot down in an air fight and the operators imprisoned. German air-men have successfully attacked the railroad at Moledezhno."

ACT 'TAMING OF SHREW' IN APRIL TO HONOR BARD

Footlights Club at Work on an Elaborate Revival for Third Centenary Date

The Footlights Club of Honolulu is hard at work on its plans for an appropriate celebration of the third Shakespearean centennial in April. An elaborate Shakespearean festival is being projected. There will be folk songs and music of the Elizabethan time, and many of the characters in the 40 odd plays of the master of English drama will be impersonated by local lovers of amateur theatricals.

In addition to the impersonation of many of the principal characters in all the plays, two or three performances will be given of the "Taming of the Shrew." The cast for this production has been selected for the most part, but there are two or three of the minor parts yet to be filled.

Wednesday evening the first reading of the play by William Lewers, who will direct the staging of the play, was held at the Royal Hawaiian hotel, with Mrs. F. R. Day as hostess. From now on several rehearsals will be held each week.

The effort will be made throughout to portray the scenes exactly as they were portrayed in Shakespeare's time, with no elaborate but very simple scenery.

A fine of \$15,000 has been levied by the Germans on the city of Vilna on the ground that the recent fire there was of incendiary origin.

RENEWED FIGHTING EXPECTED SOON; PRESIDENT REITERATES HIS STAND ON "TRAVEL ISSUE"

INFORMS CHAIRMAN FLOOD OF HOUSE COMMITTEE WILL NOT CONSENT TO COMPROMISE—INSISTS CONTROVERSY BE PUT TO VOTE IN CONGRESS—GERMANS MEANWHILE SINK MORE ALLIED VESSELS AND ITALY STANDS BY INTENTION OF ARMING HER MERCHANTMEN

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.] PARIS, France, March 2.—Germany's great drive at Verdun and the six-day battle there for some miles of trenches has cost the Fatherland about 130,000 men, it is estimated by military observers here from reports at various points of the Verdun front.

Today there is intermittent bombardment around Verdun and on the Woivre plain. The French losses are officially placed as "not high." The German losses of 130,000 are said to constitute one-third of the effectives of the troops actually engaged.

Both the press and the public are mystified at the pause in the Verdun battle. It is believed the combatants are recuperating after their terrific struggles and that the Germans are getting ready to resume the attack. Gen. Joffre, the French commander, is prepared for all eventualities.

London Hears Germans Massing Big Force For New Drive in Argonne

LONDON, England, March 2.—Fort Vaux, on the west front, has been bombarded and destroyed, according to unconfirmed German reports, but the Germans are said to be unable to occupy the ruins, owing to the activity of the French artillery in raining shells on the vicinity.

The French were able to destroy a German battery lately put in place. At Buzy, 16 miles east of Verdun, the Germans are now concentrating a force of 90,000 men. It is believed they will resume the offensive in the Argonne section from this point.

Wilson Reiterates Stand Upon "Travel Issue;" Challenges Vote

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—President Wilson within the last few hours has taken occasion to reiterate his determination not to concede from his stand that American travel at sea shall be safeguarded on belligerent vessels armed for defensive purposes only.

Today the president had a conference with Chairman Flood of the House Committee on foreign affairs, and the president told Mr. Flood emphatically that he will not consent to any compromise on the subject of armed ships and travel at sea.

He desires a direct vote in Congress to ascertain, before any further negotiations with foreign powers are held, whether the executive branch of the government stands with the executive in insisting upon safeguards for neutrals. He desires that the issue be put squarely up to the Republicans as well as Democrats, to ascertain if Congress is behind the administration, and to show the foreigners that the country is not divided on this point.

German Submarines Busy and Five More Vessels Are Reported Sunk

LONDON, England, March 2.—The sinking of five additional vessels by German submarines was reported today. Three British smacks were among the number, their crews being landed at Lowestoft. The Italian steamer Elize was sunk and the Russian steamer Alexander Wentzel was sunk. Eighteen crew members are reported drowned and 11 rescued.

Italy Won't Disarm Her Vessels

ROME, Italy, March 2.—The Italian ambassador at Washington has been instructed by the Italian foreign office to notify the United States that Italian merchantmen will continue to be defensively armed, in spite of the decrees of Germany and Austria. These decrees serve notice that the Central Powers consider armed merchantmen as warships, to be attacked without warning.

CUPID NOT NOW PASSENGER WITH DARING AVIATOR

MAN OPPOSING CARRANZA TRIED AND EXECUTED

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 2.—Art Smith, the sensational young aviator whose flying was an exposition feature, is sailing on the T. K. K. liner Chiyo-Maru for Japan. He announces that divorce papers have been prepared for him on the ground of cruelty.

Official denial is made that Felix Diaz adherents are operating in the Sonora district. This denial is made by the Mexican consul at Panguitch, Leveley.

large number of copartnerships registered that have not reported to the treasurer.

Mr. McCarthy believes that the majority of these have gone to the States as many of them were returned 25 or 30 years ago. Clark will do a investigation of his action as to a few days, and the results will be presented.

Investigation as to the existence of all registered copartnerships will begin within a few days, announced C. J. McCarthy, territorial treasurer, today. Although a great many firms were scared into compliance with the law requiring that changes in the firm be reported to the treasurer by his threat of prosecution, there are a